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SUBJECT: FOREIGN MINISTRY REQUESTS INFORMATION
ON VISAS FOR MEMBERS OF CHILE PARIS
CONFERENCE

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1. DURING NOVEMBER 14 CALL AT FOREIGN MINISTRY ON
ANOTHER MATTER EMBOFF WAS ASKED "UNOFFICIALLY"
FOR EXPLANATION OF US REFUSAL TO ISSUE VISAS TO
FRENCH AND EAST GERMAN MEMBERS OF DELEGATION FROM
JULY PARIS CONFERENCE ON CHILE SEEKING TO PRESENT
VIEWS OF CONFERENCE TO UNSYG WALDHEIM. MATTER HAS
BEEN RAISED BY FINNISH "UN AFFAIRS COMMISSION"
OF WHICH CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN ARE FONOFF
OFFICIALS -- MEMBERS ARE REPRESENTATIVES OF POLI-
TICAL PARTIES PLUS A FEW "EXPERTS". COMMISSION
IS ADVISORY AND HAS STATUS OF GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE.

2. EMBOFF REPLIED ON BASIS STATE REFTTEL, REFERRING
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TO PROVISIONS OF IMMIGRATION AND NATIONALITY ACT

AND EMPHASIZING THAT NO OFFICIAL INVITATION HAD
BEEN EXTENDED TO DELEGATION TO VISIT UN SECRETARIAT.
ALSO NOTED THAT HE WAS NOT SURE EAST GERMAN HAD
EVER ACTUALLY APPLIED FOR VISA. FONOFF OFFICIAL
SAID HE WOULD USE THIS INFORMATION IN REPLYING TO
COMMISSION.

3. HOPEFULLY MATTER WILL REST THERE, BUT QUERY
REFLECTS HEIGHTENED FINNISH ATTENTION TO
US VISA POLICY IN WAKE OF PUBLICITY ON
CHILE GROUP AND RECENT REFUSAL OF FINNISH METAL-
WORKER. BOTH PRIVATE AND PUBLIC COMMENTS ON US
VISA POLICY OFTEN MAKE LINK WITH CSCE BASKET III NEGOTIATIONS.
CSCE IS ALMOST NATIONAL OBSESSION IN
FINLAND.
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